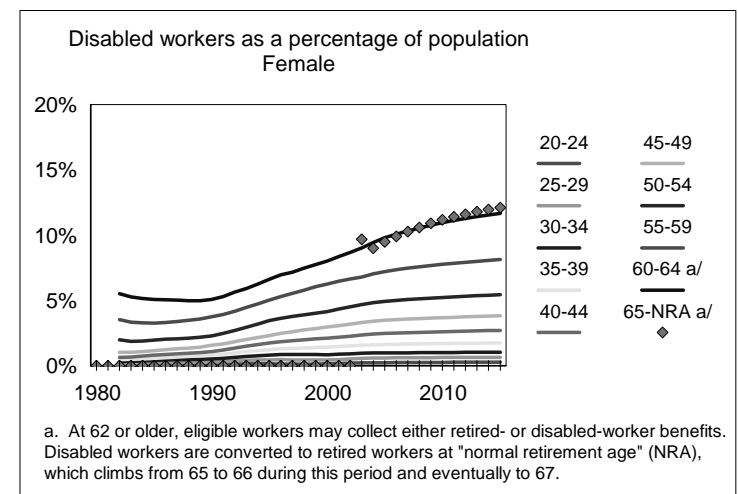
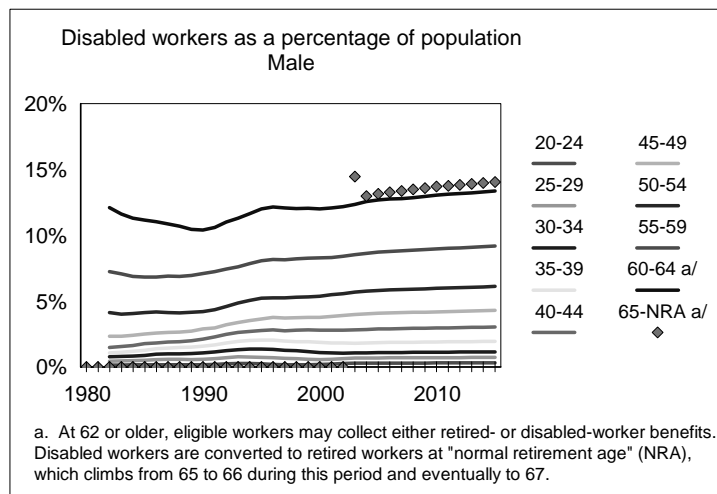


# DISABILITY INSURANCE

## CBO March 2005 baseline

Caseloads in thousands, outlays in billions of dollars

03/02/2005	2000 act	2001 act	2002 act	2003 act	2004 prelim	2005 proj	2006 proj	2007 proj	2008 proj	2009 proj	2010 proj	2011 proj	2012 proj	2013 proj	2014 proj	2015 proj
<b>CALENDAR YEAR</b>																
Beneficiaries (December 31)																
Disabled workers																
Men	2,856	2,952	3,070	3,225	3,373	3,515	3,648	3,777	3,905	4,008	4,115	4,214	4,289	4,351	4,420	4,487
Women	2,186	2,322	2,474	2,649	2,824	2,981	3,130	3,272	3,412	3,527	3,645	3,753	3,837	3,907	3,980	4,051
Subtotal	5,042	5,274	5,544	5,874	6,198	6,496	6,778	7,050	7,317	7,535	7,759	7,967	8,126	8,258	8,400	8,538
Spouses	165	157	152	151	153	152	152	151	151	148	146	144	141	137	134	131
Children	1,466	1,482	1,526	1,571	1,599	1,626	1,644	1,655	1,664	1,671	1,677	1,680	1,682	1,683	1,687	1,697
Total	6,673	6,913	7,221	7,595	7,949	8,275	8,575	8,856	9,131	9,355	9,582	9,791	9,949	10,078	10,222	10,366
Average benefit (December 31)																
Disabled workers																
Men	\$883	\$915	\$936	\$966	\$1,002	\$1,034	\$1,063	\$1,097	\$1,133	\$1,172	\$1,213	\$1,256	\$1,301	\$1,348	\$1,398	\$1,449
Women	\$661	\$689	\$709	\$735	\$765	\$792	\$816	\$845	\$875	\$907	\$940	\$975	\$1,011	\$1,049	\$1,088	\$1,130
Subtotal	\$786	\$815	\$834	\$862	\$894	\$923	\$949	\$980	\$1,013	\$1,048	\$1,085	\$1,124	\$1,164	\$1,207	\$1,251	\$1,297
Spouses	\$198	\$207	\$212	\$221	\$232	\$238	\$245	\$252	\$260	\$269	\$278	\$287	\$297	\$307	\$318	\$329
Children	\$228	\$238	\$245	\$254	\$265	\$274	\$282	\$292	\$302	\$313	\$325	\$337	\$350	\$363	\$377	\$391
Average disabled-worker award																
Men	\$950	\$986	\$1,020	\$1,062	\$1,098	\$1,121	\$1,156	\$1,205	\$1,256	\$1,310	\$1,362	\$1,415	\$1,468	\$1,528	\$1,586	\$1,647
Women	\$698	\$730	\$754	\$787	\$818	\$836	\$864	\$902	\$942	\$983	\$1,024	\$1,065	\$1,107	\$1,154	\$1,200	\$1,248
Total	\$835	\$869	\$898	\$937	\$969	\$992	\$1,023	\$1,068	\$1,114	\$1,163	\$1,210	\$1,257	\$1,307	\$1,362	\$1,415	\$1,470
Disabled workers, start of year	4,879	5,042	5,274	5,544	5,874	6,198	6,496	6,778	7,050	7,317	7,535	7,759	7,967	8,126	8,258	8,400
Awards	622	691	756	778	797	790	797	813	838	863	876	881	895	909	923	930
"Exits"	(459)	(459)	(486)	(448)	(473)	(492)	(515)	(542)	(571)	(645)	(651)	(673)	(736)	(777)	(781)	(792)
Disabled workers, end of year	5,042	5,274	5,544	5,874	6,198	6,496	6,778	7,050	7,317	7,535	7,759	7,967	8,126	8,258	8,400	8,538
Exit rate	-9.4%	-9.1%	-9.2%	-8.1%	-8.1%	-7.9%	-7.9%	-8.0%	-8.1%	-8.8%	-8.6%	-8.7%	-9.2%	-9.6%	-9.5%	-9.4%



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**DISABILITY INSURANCE****CBO March 2005 baseline**

Caseloads in thousands, outlays in billions of dollars

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
03/02/2005	act	act	act	act	prelim	proj	proj	proj	proj	proj	proj	proj	proj	proj	proj	proj

**FISCAL YEAR**

## Regular benefits

Disabled workers	\$44.2	\$47.6	\$51.8	\$56.3	\$61.3	\$67.3	\$72.8	\$77.9	\$83.5	\$89.7	\$95.0	\$101.2	\$107.4	\$113.4	\$119.4	\$126.0
Spouses	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5
Children	\$3.8	\$4.0	\$4.2	\$4.5	\$4.8	\$5.1	\$5.3	\$5.6	\$5.8	\$6.0	\$6.3	\$6.5	\$6.8	\$7.0	\$7.3	\$7.6
Subtotal	\$48.4	\$52.0	\$56.4	\$61.2	\$66.5	\$72.8	\$78.6	\$83.9	\$89.8	\$96.2	\$101.7	\$108.2	\$114.7	\$120.9	\$127.3	\$134.1

## Retroactive benefits

	\$5.8	\$6.2	\$7.8	\$8.6	\$9.6	\$10.1	\$10.8	\$11.6	\$12.4	\$13.3	\$14.0	\$14.7	\$15.6	\$16.5	\$17.5	\$18.5
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## Total benefits

Disabled workers	\$49.1	\$52.9	\$58.6	\$63.7	\$69.8	\$76.2	\$82.3	\$88.1	\$94.5	\$101.6	\$107.4	\$114.3	\$121.4	\$128.2	\$135.2	\$142.6
Spouses	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.6	\$0.6	\$0.6
Children	\$4.6	\$4.8	\$5.2	\$5.6	\$5.9	\$6.3	\$6.6	\$6.9	\$7.1	\$7.4	\$7.7	\$8.0	\$8.3	\$8.7	\$9.0	\$9.4
Subtotal	\$54.2	\$58.2	\$64.2	\$69.7	\$76.2	\$82.9	\$89.4	\$95.5	\$102.2	\$109.5	\$115.7	\$122.9	\$130.3	\$137.4	\$144.7	\$152.6
Plug	\$0.0	(\$0.0)	(\$0.0)	\$0.1	\$0.1	(\$0.0)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	(\$0.0)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	(\$0.0)	(\$0.0)	\$0.0

## Outlays (OMB Table 13.1)

	\$54.2	\$58.2	\$64.2	\$69.8	\$76.2	\$82.9	\$89.4	\$95.5	\$102.2	\$109.5	\$115.7	\$122.9	\$130.3	\$137.4	\$144.7	\$152.6
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**KEY ASSUMPTIONS**

Average wage for indexing	\$32,155	\$32,922	\$33,252	\$34,065	\$35,200	\$36,616	\$38,146	\$39,740	\$41,315	\$42,886	\$44,481	\$46,272	\$48,017	\$49,840	\$51,765	\$53,755
Taxable maximum	\$76,200	\$80,400	\$84,900	\$87,000	\$87,900	\$90,000	\$93,000	\$96,600	\$100,800	\$105,000	\$109,200	\$113,400	\$117,600	\$122,400	\$126,900	\$131,700
PIA for mythical "lifelong average" disabled worker (age 50)	\$1,117	\$1,171	\$1,218	\$1,255	\$1,276	\$1,302	\$1,342	\$1,399	\$1,457	\$1,518	\$1,578	\$1,638	\$1,700	\$1,768	\$1,835	\$1,904
Maximum PIA (age 50)	\$1,741	\$1,836	\$1,924	\$1,994	\$2,035	\$2,083	\$2,151	\$2,245	\$2,340	\$2,440	\$2,539	\$2,637	\$2,738	\$2,850	\$2,959	\$3,072
COLA this calendar year	3.5%	2.7%	1.4%	2.1%	2.7%	2.3%	2.0%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%
Date	Dec-00	Dec-01	Dec-02	Dec-03	Dec-04	Dec-05	Dec-06	Dec-07	Dec-08	Dec-09	Dec-10	Dec-11	Dec-12	Dec-13	Dec-14	Dec-15

By convention, most Social Security program statistics are by calendar year. Benefit payments in the federal government's fiscal year (October through September) roughly track figures for the preceding December--for example, regular benefits in fiscal 2005 approximately equal recipients in December 2004 times their average amount, times twelve. COLAs and a rising NRA complicate that relationship, but it remains a useful rule of thumb.

Details may not add to totals due to rounding. A few beneficiaries are not identified by sex.

Outlays depict benefit costs only and omit vocational rehabilitation and the payment to railroad retirement (which are mandatory) and administrative costs (discretionary).

2001 COLA includes regular COLA (2.6%) in December 2001 plus retroactive 0.1% "mini-COLA" paid in summer 2001 as a result of P.L. 106-554.

"Exits" chiefly represent terminations due to death or conversion to retirement, plus some medical recoveries.

Retroactive benefits chiefly go to newly-awarded disabled workers for past months, including the months spent in processing their applications. Unusually high retroactive payments in 2002 through 2010 stem largely from processing approximately 300,000 awards to current and former SSI recipients that SSA discovered should have received DI based on work performed after they started getting SSI. (SSA announced that finding in July 2001 and initially estimated the number of people at 130,000.) Because SSI is a needs-tested program and offsets DI benefits (except for the first \$20 a month) on a dollar-for-dollar basis, most of the extra DI costs will be offset by reduced SSI benefits and reimbursement for past overpayments. The exact timing of those large reimbursements (paid by DI to the general fund) is very uncertain.

COLA=cost-of-living adjustment, PIA=primary insurance amount, NRA="normal retirement age" (when disabled workers are converted to retired workers).